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In re Application of
GREEN, JAMES A.
Application No. 09/664,443
Filed: 09/18/2000
Attorney Docket No. 850-16
For: SATELLITE BROADCAST RECEIVING
AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition to make special filed on September 18, 2000¹.

A petition to make special due to the applicant's age must show that petitioner is 65 years of age, or more.² Acceptable evidence includes a birth certificate, copy of a driver's license, or simply a statement by the applicant. No fee is required.

The petition meets all the above-listed requirements. Accordingly, the petition is **granted**.

The application will retain its special status throughout its entire prosecution, including any appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, subject only to diligent prosecution by the applicant.

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¹ Although the petition states that it is intended to be compliant with the M.P.E.P. §708.02, Part VIII, the support presented with this petition suggests that Petitioner intended to show compliance with the M.P.E.P. §708.02, Part IV. Because the support presented with this petition cannot be the grounds for a successful petition under the M.P.E.P. §708.02, Part VIII, this petition is being treated as though it were intended for consideration under M.P.E.P. §708.02, Part IV.

² *Manual of Patent Examination Procedure §708.02, Part IV.*